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LAST time: Chain "Roolz" Rule,  $\frac{df}{dt_i} = \frac{DF}{dx_1} \cdot \frac{dx_1}{dt_i} + \frac{DF}{dx_2} \cdot \frac{dx_2}{dt_i} + \dots + \frac{DF}{dx_N} \cdot \frac{dx_N}{dt_i}$

IMPLICIT Function Theorem: Let  $F$  be a Function w/  $\frac{DF}{dx} \neq 0$  and  $\frac{df}{dx_i}$  etc. then on the Locus (set of points) of  $F(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_N) = 0$  we have locally  $x_N = f(x_1, \dots, x_{N-1})$  and  $\frac{DF}{dx_i} = - \frac{DF}{dx_N} / \frac{DF}{dx_N}$

Pf (IFT Derivative Formula): APPLY a partial derivative to  $F$  using chain Rule:

$$0 = \frac{DF}{dx_1} \cdot \frac{dx_1}{dx_i} + \frac{DF}{dx_2} \cdot \frac{dx_2}{dx_i} + \dots + \frac{DF}{dx_N} \cdot \frac{dx_N}{dx_i}$$

For  $i \neq N$  &  $K = N$  we have that  $\frac{dx_N}{dx_i} = 0$  this caused things to "go away"

Solving, we obtain  $\frac{DF}{dx_i} = - \frac{DF}{dx_N} / \frac{DF}{dx_N}$

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Thus we obtain:

$$0 = \frac{DF}{dx_i} \cdot \frac{dx_i}{dx_i} + \frac{DF}{dx_N} \cdot \frac{dx_N}{dx_i} \\ = \frac{DF}{dx_i} + \frac{DF}{dx_N} \cdot \frac{DF}{dx_N}$$

Ex: Compute  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$  &  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$  for implicit Function  $Z(x, y)$  given by

$$x^3 + y^3 + z^3 = 2xyz - 5$$

Sol: we want to use IFT.  $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 = 2xyz - 5$  iff  $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 2xyz + 5 = 0$

Using  $F(x, y, z) = x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 2xyz + 5$ , we see

$$\frac{DF}{dx} = 3x^2 - 2yz, \quad \frac{DF}{dy} = 3y^2 - 2xz, \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{DF}{dz} = 3z^2 - 2xy.$$

Hence, BY IFT:  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = - \frac{\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}}{\frac{\partial F}{\partial z}} = - \frac{3x^2 - 2yz}{3z^2 - 2xy}$  &  $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = - \frac{\frac{\partial F}{\partial y}}{\frac{\partial F}{\partial z}}$

$$= - \frac{3y^2 - 2xz}{3z^2 - 2xy} \quad \square$$

What is the derivative of a multivariable function..?

### Gradient AND Optimization

Goal: Optimize Functions of Several Variable BY extending tricks From Calc I into multi variables.

Def: The gradient of a Function  $f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  is

$$\nabla f = \left\langle \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_3}, \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} \right\rangle$$

Note: Gradient can be used to clearly restate many of the theorems <sup>"same stuff"</sup> that we've seen

Ⓒ Chain Rule:  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial t_i} = \Delta f \cdot \frac{dx}{dt_i}$

Why?

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t_i} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} \cdot \frac{dx_1}{dt_i} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} \cdot \frac{dx_2}{dt_i} + \dots + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} \cdot \frac{dx_n}{dt_i}$$

By the chain rule

$$= \left\langle \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2}, \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} \right\rangle \cdot \left\langle \frac{dx_1}{dt_i}, \frac{dx_2}{dt_i}, \dots, \frac{dx_n}{dt_i} \right\rangle$$

$$= \nabla f \cdot \frac{dx}{dt_i}$$

Claim: Directional Derivatives can also be expressed using the gradient...

Why?: Recall that the directional derivative of  $f$  at  $\vec{P}$  in the direction of  $\vec{U}$  is:

$$D_{\vec{U}} f(\vec{P}) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f(\vec{P} + h\vec{U}) - f(\vec{P})}{h}$$

Define  $g(h) = f(\vec{P} + h\vec{U})$  and notice  $g(0) = f(\vec{P})$

$$\therefore D_{\vec{U}} f(\vec{P}) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{g(h) - g(0)}{h} = g'(0) \quad \text{on the other hand,}$$

$$g'(h) = \frac{d}{dh} [f(\vec{P} + h\vec{U})] = \frac{d}{dh} [f(p_1 + hu_1, p_2 + hu_2, \dots, p_n + hu_n)]$$

Recognize this as a chain rule for  $x_i = p_i + hu_i$ :  $g'(h) = \frac{df}{dx_1} u_1 + \frac{df}{dx_2} u_2 + \dots + \frac{df}{dx_n} u_n$  Derivative

$$g'(h) = \nabla f(\vec{P} + h\vec{U}) \cdot \frac{d\vec{x}}{dh} = \nabla f(\vec{P} + h\vec{U}) \cdot \langle u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n \rangle$$

$$= \nabla f(\vec{P} + h\vec{U}) \cdot \vec{U} \quad \therefore \text{we have } g'(0) = \nabla f(\vec{P} + 0\vec{U}) \cdot \vec{U} = \nabla f(\vec{P}) \cdot \vec{U}$$

$$\text{Finally we see } D_{\vec{U}} f(\vec{P}) = \nabla f(\vec{P}) \cdot \vec{U}$$

EX: let's compute  $D_{\vec{U}} f(\vec{P})$  for  $f(x, y) = 4x\sqrt{y}$  at  $\vec{P} = \langle 1, 4 \rangle$  in direction  $\vec{U} = \langle -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \rangle$

$$\text{Sol: we know } D_{\vec{U}} f(\vec{P}) = \nabla f(\vec{P}) \cdot \vec{U} \quad \text{Not}$$

$$\nabla f(x, y) = \langle 4y^{1/2}, 2xy^{-1/2} \rangle. \quad \therefore \nabla f(\vec{P}) = \langle 4\sqrt{4}, 2 \cdot 1 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}} \rangle = \langle 8, 1 \rangle$$

$$\therefore D_{\vec{U}} f(\vec{P}) = \nabla f(\vec{P}) \cdot \vec{U} = \langle 8, 1 \rangle \cdot \langle -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \rangle = -\frac{8}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = -\frac{7}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \square$$

5 minute break



Question: in which (Chris wants to do another grant problem, we will return to this material later)

Ex: compute DF for  $f(x, y, z) = \frac{xz}{y+z}$ .

Sol:  $\nabla f = \left\langle \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \right\rangle$ .  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{z}{y+z}$ ,  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = -\frac{xz}{(y+z)^2}$ , and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = \frac{x}{y+z}$

and  $(y+z) \frac{\partial}{\partial z} [xy] - xz \frac{\partial}{\partial z} [y+z]$   

$$\frac{(y+z)x - xz}{(y+z)^2}$$

$$= \frac{(y+z)x - xz}{(y+z)^2}$$

$$\therefore = \left\langle \frac{z}{y+z}, -\frac{xz}{(y+z)^2}, \frac{xy}{(y+z)^2} \right\rangle$$

$$= \frac{xy}{(y+z)}$$

Ex: How do we optimize the Directional Derivative?

Think about  $f$  at  $P$  and vary unit vector  $\vec{u}$

$D_{\vec{u}} f(P) = \nabla f(P) \cdot \vec{u} = |\nabla f(P)| |\vec{u}| \cos(\theta)$   
 (Note:  $\nabla f(P)$  is the gradient vector,  $\vec{u}$  is the unit vector, and  $\theta$  is the angle between them.)

$= |\nabla f(P)| \cos(\theta)$   $\therefore$  Maximizing  $D_{\vec{u}} f(P)$  amounts to maximizing  $\cos(\theta)$

We know from Calc I  $\cos(\theta)$  is maximized at  $\cos(0) = 1$  (from  $0$  to  $\pi$ )

$\therefore$  (1) the direction of the gradient maximizes Directional Derivative.

(2) the Maximum Directional Derivative of  $f$  is  $|\nabla f(P)|$

EX: maximize compute the direction of max value of  $D_{\vec{p}} f(\vec{p})$   
 for  $f(x, y, z) = \frac{xz}{y+z}$  at  $\vec{p} = \langle 1, 1, -2 \rangle$

Sol: We already computed  $\nabla f = \left\langle \frac{z}{y+z}, \frac{xz}{(y+z)^2}, \frac{xy}{(y+z)^2} \right\rangle$

$\therefore$  at  $\vec{p} = \langle 1, 1, -2 \rangle$ , the dir. derivative is maximized in direction  
 $\nabla f(1, 1, -2) = \left\langle \frac{-2}{1-2}, \frac{1(-2)}{(1-2)^2}, \frac{1 \cdot 1}{(1-2)^2} \right\rangle = \langle 2, 2, 1 \rangle$

Furthermore, the max value is  $|\nabla f(\vec{p})| = |\langle 2, 2, 1 \rangle| = \sqrt{4+4+1} = 3$   $\square$

Chris says (Rem note) From calc I about optimization "You will need a very good grasp on optimization"  
 (For Monday's class)

DEF: A Function  $f$  Has...

- ① a local maximum value at  $\vec{p}$  when  $f(\vec{p}) \geq f(\vec{x})$  for all  $\vec{x}$  near  $\vec{p}$ .
  - ② a global maximum point value at  $\vec{p}$  when  $f(\vec{p}) \geq f(\vec{x})$  for all  $\vec{x} \in \text{Dom}(f)$
- (we call  $p$  the (local/global) maximum point for  $f$ ).
- ③ minima (both local & global) are defined similarly [Just flip inequalities]

Recall:  $F(x) = x$  has none of these...

Q: How do we guarantee existence of extrema? (max/min of extrema)

$\hookrightarrow$  where do we look for them?

DEF: The critical points, point  $p \in \text{dom}(f)$ , is critical point of  $f$  when either  $\nabla f(\vec{p})$  does not exist or  $\nabla f(\vec{p}) = \vec{0}$

PROP (Fermat's extrema theorem): The <sup>local</sup> extrema of function  $f$  occur only at critical points of  $f$